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Sir:

Applicants herein respond to the Office Action dated 25 July 2003 ("Paper 16"). As the three-month anniversary for responding was Saturday, 25 October 2003, a timely response may be filed through 27 October without an extension of time. Please amend the claims as indicated and reconsider the claims as amended. Please also make note of the new docket number, as indicated above.

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Amendment

In the Specification

Please replace the first paragraph of the specification with the following:

Related Applications

This application is a continuation of and claims priority to PCT Application PCT/IB00/00830, filed June 22, 2000, in the name of Ramirez, et al., entitled "Regulated expression of cloned genes using a cascade genetic circuit;" and additionally claims priority to Spanish Application ES-200001389, filed May 31, 2000, in the name of Ramirez, et al., entitled "Regulated expression of cloned genes using a cascade genetic circuit," and to Spanish Patent Application ES-9901383, filed June 22, 1999, in the name of Ramirez, et al., entitled "Tightly regulated overexpression of cloned genes using a cascade genetic circuit," each of which applications ~~are~~ is herein incorporated by reference in their its entirety, entireties including all drawings.

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